

i UNMASKING OF /THE SPANIARDS' TREASON.
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have a vehement 'suspicion ; and therewithal, sent to the Viceroy, to inquire what was meant by it.

Who sent, immediately, straight commandment to unplant all suspicious things; and also sent word that "he, on the faith of Viceroy, "would be our defence from all villains*"

Yet we, not being satisfied with this answer (because we suspected a great number of men to be hid in a great ship, of 900 tons, which was moored next unto the *Minion*), sent again to the Viceroy^ the Master of the *Jesus* (who had the Spanish tongue) ₃ and required to be satisfied if any such thing were, or not/

The Viceroy seeing that the treason must be discovered
forthwith stayed our' Master, blew the trumpet,
and set upon
us of all sides. . ^

Our men, which warded ashore, being stricken with sudden fear, gave place, fled, and sought to recover succour from the ships. The Spaniards, being provided before for the purpose, landed in all places in multitudes from their ships, which they might easily do without boats ; and slew all our men ashore without mercy. A few them of escaped aboard the *Jesus* [pp. 317, 330].

The great ship, which had by the estimation, 300 men secretly placed in her, ^immediately fell aboard the *Mimon*; which (by GOD's appointment) (in the time of suspicion we had, which was only half an hour) the *Minion* was made ready to avoid, and so loosing her head fasts, and hauling away by the stern fasts she was gotten out. Thus, with GOD's help, she defended the violence of the first brunt of these 300 men.

The *Minion* being passed out, they came aboard the *Jesus* ; which also with very much ado, and the loss of many of our men, was defended, and they kept out.

Then were there also two other ships that assaulted the *Jesus* at the same instant; so that she had [a] hard getting loose : but yet, with some time, we had cut our head fasts, and gotten out by the stern fasts.

Now when the *Jesus* and the *Minion* were gotten abroad, two ships' length from the Spanish Fleet, the fight began hot of all sides [that is, outside or in the mouth of the harbour] : so that, within one hour, the admiral [*Flag Ship*] of the Spaniards